

MINUTES OF THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
HELD ON MAY 2, 2022, STARTING AT 7:00 PM
IN THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY HISTORIC COURTHOUSE
112 W. MADISON ST. PONTIAC, ILLINOIS

The meeting was called to order at 7:12 p.m.

Scott Sand was the acting Chair for this meeting due to the absences of Michael Haberkorn and Jerry Gaspardo.

Roll call was taken.

Those present were: Shane Long, Dean Wahls, Dee Woodburn, Scott Sand, Rudy Piskule, and Verne Taylor

Those absent were: Jerry Gaspardo, Ed Hoerner, Michael Haberkorn, and Keith Bahler

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

The agenda to this meeting was mentioned by Sand. With no recommendations for additions or amendments to the agenda for this May 2, 2022 meeting, Dean Wahls moved, seconded by Dee Woodburn, that the agenda for this meeting be approved as presented. This motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes from the January 3, 2022 meeting were noted. With no needed amendments or corrections noted, Verne Taylor moved, seconded by Rudy Piskule that the meeting minutes be approved as presented. The motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote.

BUSINESS:

SU-1-22 – Snelius

This zoning case pertained to a review of a proposed special use permit in an AG, Agriculture, District located in unincorporated Cornell to allow for the subject property to host a private hair salon as a craft and service business.

The assistant zoning administrator gave an overview of the zoning case to planning commission members by explaining that this would be a privately owned hair salon business that the applicant, Ashley Snelius, would own and operate on her own. The assistant administrator further explained that Ms. Snelius would be open by appointment only and that there would be no signage for the business which would make the business's existence not known by driving by the property.

Ashley Snelius, 27123 N. 1000 East Rd., Cornell, IL, was present at the meeting to address any questions or concerns. After the assistant zoning administrator's summary of the zoning case, Ms. Snelius was asked if she would like to add anything to what had been said. She elected not to.

Rudy Piskule then moved, seconded by Shane Long, that zoning case SU-1-22 be recommended for approval.

The motion was then approved by roll call vote:

Jerry Gaspardo:	Absent – No Vote	Dean Wahls:	Yes
Michael Haberkorn:	Absent – No Vote	Dee Woodburn:	Yes
Shane Long:	Yes	Scott Sand:	Yes
Ed Hoerner:	Absent – No Vote	Rudy Piskule:	Yes
Verne Taylor:	Yes		
Keith Bahler:	Absent – No Vote		

OTHER BUSINESS:

The assistant zoning administrator provided an update on the upcoming wind and solar energy projects by informing members that hearings could potentially begin on the EDF wind energy project this July. The assistant zoning administrator also gave planning commission members an update on the state's approach to solar energy projects which could create multiple solar farm hearings in the upcoming months.

Planning commission members were also notified that the zoning office is currently in the process of updating the comprehensive plan and that it could be ready for a public hearing within the next month or two.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Verne Taylor moved, seconded by Dee Woodburn, that the meeting be adjourned. This motion was unanimously approved by a roll call vote of all ayes.

This meeting was then adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jesse J. King, Assistant Administrator
Livingston County Regional
Planning Commission

